# Request for Approval under the "Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback" (OMB Control Number: 0920-1050)

*Instruction:* This form should be completed by the primary contact person from the Program sponsoring the collection.

# DETERMINE IF YOUR COLLECTION IS APPROPRIATE FOR THIS GENERIC CLEARANCE MECHANISM:

Instruction: Before completing and submitting this form, determine first if the proposed collection is consistent with the scope of the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback generic clearance mechanism. To determine the appropriateness of using the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback generic clearance mechanism, complete the checklist below.

If you select "yes" to all criteria in Column A, the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback generic clearance mechanism <u>can</u> be used. If you select "yes" to any criterion in Column B, the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback generic clearance mechanism <u>cannot</u> be used.

Column A	Column B
The information gathered will only be used	Information gathered will be publicly released or
internally to CDC.	published.
[x ] Yes [ ] No	[ ] Yes [ x ] No
Data is qualitative in nature and not generalizable	Employs quantitative study design (e.g. those that
to people from whom data was not collected.	rely on probability design or experimental
[x ] Yes [ ] No	methods)
	[ ] Yes [ x ] No
There are no sensitive questions within this	Sensitive questions will be asked (e.g. sexual
collection (e.g. sexual orientation, gender	orientation, gender identity).
identity).	[ ] Yes [ x ] No
[x ] Yes [ ] No	
Collection does not raise issues of concern to any	Other Federal agencies may have equities or
other Federal agencies.	concerns regarding this collection.
[x ] Yes [ ] No	[ ] Yes [x ] No
Data collection is focused on determining ways to	Data will be used to inform programmatic or
improve delivery of services to customers of a	budgetary decisions, for the purpose of program
current CDC program.	evaluation, for surveillance, for program needs
[x ] Yes [ ] No	assessment, or for research.
	[ ] Yes [ x ] No
The collection is targeted to the solicitation of	
opinions from respondents who have experience	
with the program or may have experience with the	
program in the future.	
[ x ] Yes [ ] No	

Did you select "Yes" to all criteria in Column A?

If yes, the *Collection of Routine Customer Feedback* generic clearance mechanism may be appropriate for your investigation. You may proceed with this form.

Did you select "Yes" to any criterion in Column B?

If yes, the *Collection of Routine Customer Feedback* generic clearance mechanism is **NOT** appropriate for your investigation. Stop completing this form now.

## TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:

CDC Basic Molecular Biology eLearning Courses Learner Feedback Survey

#### **PURPOSE:**

The content of these basic-level eLearning courses is relevant to laboratory scientists and healthcare professionals working in hospitals, reference laboratories, universities and public health laboratory settings. These basic-level eLearning courses are offered free of charge, hosted on CDC TRAIN, and offer 1.0 - 1.5 contact hours of ASCLS P.A.C.E.® credits.

An email invitation to complete the Basic Molecular Biology: Basic Science, Basic Molecular Biology: Laboratory Practice, Basic Molecular Biology: Nucleic Acid Extraction, and Basic Molecular Biology: PCR and Real-Time PCR eLearning Courses Learner Feedback voluntary survey will be sent to learners designated by CDC TRAIN as having completed all components of one or more of the courses during February 1, 2019 – August 31, 2019. The email invitation will include clickable links to either proceed to the survey or unsubscribe (opt out.) Learners may also opt out by not responding to the email. If learners click the link to begin the survey in the email, they will link to a Survey Monkey webpage housing the survey.

The information to be collected aims to understand to what extent the learners are able to use the content of the courses in their work settings. The survey questions will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Responses will be anonymous and no unique identifying information will be sought or kept. The feedback we receive will be used by our program in aggregate only. The learner feedback will help the continuous quality assurance of our instructional design process and inform updates to these courses in alignment with learner' needs. Learner feedback will provide valuable insight on the instructional design of this eLearning courses, which includes relevance and applicability of content.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:**

This is a voluntary survey to collect information from learners who have completed one or more of the Basic Molecular Biology: Basic Science, Basic Molecular Biology: Laboratory Practice, Basic Molecular Biology: Nucleic Acid Extraction, and Basic Molecular Biology: PCR and Real-Time PCR eLearning courses between February 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019, and may include laboratory professionals working in clinical, reference, university, and public health laboratories.

<b>TYPE OF COLLECTION:</b> (Check one) <i>Instruction: Please sparingly use the Other category</i>	
[] Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form	[ x] Customer Satisfaction Survey
[ ] Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software	[ ] Small Discussion Group
[] Focus Group	[ ] Other:

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

- 1. The collection is voluntary.
- 2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
- 3. The collection is non-controversial and does <u>not</u> raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
- 4. The results are <u>not</u> intended to be disseminated to the public.
- 5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of <u>substantially</u> informing <u>influential</u> policy decisions.

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To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

# **Personally Identifiable Information:**

- 1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? [ ] Yes [x ] No
- 2. If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? [ ] Yes [x ] No
- 3. If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? [ ] Yes [ x ] No

## **Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants?  $[\ ]$  Yes  $[x\ ]$  No

**If Yes:** Please describe the incentive. If amounts are outside of customary incentives, please also provide a justification

#### **BURDEN HOURS**

Category of Respondent	No. of	Participation	Burden
	Respondents	Time	
Private Sector	800	5/60	67
Totals			

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is \_1,000\_\_\_\_\_

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents

1.	Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of po	otential
	respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe?	
	[x] Yes $[x]$	] No

**If Yes:** Please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan) **If No:** Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them or ask them to self-select/volunteer

➤ This is a voluntary follow-up user feedback survey sent to learners who completed all required components for one or more of the four Basic Molecular Biology CDC eLearning courses during February 1, 2019 through August 31, 2019. Completion status is assigned by CDC TRAIN when all components have been accomplished. We anticipate that these learners include laboratory professionals from clinical, reference, university and public health settings. These learners will voluntarily participate in the survey administered through Survey Monkey.

## **Administration of the Instrument**

1.	How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
	[ x ] Web-based or other forms of Social Media
	[ ] Telephone
	[ ] In-person
	[ ] Mail
	[ ] Other, Explain
2.	Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [ ] Yes [ x ] No

Please make sure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.

# Instructions for completing Request for Approval under the "Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback"

**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g. Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

**PURPOSE:** Provide a concise description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**: Provide a concise description of the targeted group or groups for this collection of information. These groups must have experience with the program.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument. The 'Other' category should be used only in the contexts in which the provided categories cannot reasonably apply.

**CERTIFICATION:** Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

**Personally Identifiable Information:** Provide answers to the questions.

**Gifts or Payments:** As a general matter, incentives are not appropriate for customer service collections; however, incentives may be appropriate for focus groups or in-depth usability studies, especially when participants must travel to a site to participate. In the latter circumstance, the incentive should include travel costs. Customary incentives for focus groups in the Federal government are \$40 for a one-hour interview and \$75 for a 90-minute focus group. If you answer yes to the question, please describe the incentive and provide a justification for amounts other than those cited above; justifications should be limited to Federal studies of a similar design and subpopulation.

## **BURDEN HOURS:**

**Category of Respondents:** Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected.

No. of Respondents: Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

**Participation Time:** Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

**Burden:** Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.

**FEDERAL COST:** Provide an estimate of the annual cost to the Federal government.

<u>If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please</u> provide answers to the following questions:

**The selection of your targeted respondents.** Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them. If the answer is yes, to the first question, you may provide the sampling plan in an attachment.

**Administration of the Instrument:** Identify how the information will be collected. More than one box may be checked. Indicate whether there will be interviewers (e.g. for surveys) or facilitators (e.g., for focus groups) used.

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